Streets of London

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[D] Have you seen the [A] old man in the [Bm] closed-down [F#m] market

[G] Kicking up the [D] paper with his [Em] worn out [A] shoes?

[D] In his eyes you [A] see no pride, [Bm] and held loosely [F#m] by his side

[G] Yesterday's [D] paper telling [A7] yesterday's [D] news

[CHORUS]

So [G] how can you [F#m] tell me you're [D] lone [Bm] ly,
[E] And say for [E7] you that the sun don't [A] shine? [A7]
[D] Let me take you [A] by the hand and
[Bm] lead you through [F#m] the streets of London
[G] I'll show you [D] something to

[A] make you change your [D] mind

[D] Have you seen the [A] old girl who [Bm] walks the streets of [F#m] London
[G] Dirt in her [D] hair and her
[Em] clothes in [A] rags?
[D] She's no time for [A] talking, she
[Bm] just keeps right on [F#m] walking
[G] Carrying her [D] home in [A7] two carrier [D] bags.

[D] In the all night [A] café, at a [Bm] quarter past [F#m] eleven, [G] Same old [D] man is sitting [Em] there on his [A] own [D] Looking at the [A] world over the [Bm] rim of his [F#m] tea-cup, [G] each tea last an [D] hour - then he [A7] wanders home a [D] lone

[REPEAT CHORUS]

[D] And have you seen the [A] old man, out [Bm] side the seaman's [F#m] mission
[G] Memory fading [D] with the medal [Em] ribbons that he [A] wears.

[D] In our winter [A] city, the [Bm] rain cries a little [F#m] pity
For [G] one more forgotten [D] hero and a [A7] world that doesn't
[D] care

[REPEAT CHORUS]